



# California Regional Water Quality Control Board

## Santa Ana Region



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TO: The Attached Mailing and E-mail lists

### **GENERAL WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR SEWAGE COLLECTION AGENCIES IN ORANGE COUNTY WITHIN THE SANTA ANA REGIONAL BOARD'S JURISDICTION, TENTATIVE ORDER NO. R8-2002-0014**

Enclosed is a copy of tentative Order No. R8-2002-0014 and Monitoring and Reporting Program. This order requires proper operation and maintenance of the sewage collection systems and regulates the spills and leaks from sewage collection systems within Orange County. These general waste discharge requirements are intended to protect the beneficial uses of surface water bodies within Orange County, especially water contact recreation in the beach communities. This item will be considered for adoption during the April 26, 2002 Board meeting, that will be held in the City Council Chambers of the City of Corona, 815 West Sixth Street. The Board meeting starts at 9:00 a.m.

Earlier drafts of the order were discussed during two public workshops held on December 19, 2001 and January 23, 2002. The enclosed tentative order has been revised in response to comments received. Written responses to all comments received prior to January 30, 2002 will be transmitted under separate cover.

All comments received prior to April 8, 2002 will be considered in the formulation of the final draft that will be sent to the Board on April 12, 2002. We request that all comments be submitted electronically to [ktheisen@rb8.swrcb.ca.gov](mailto:ktheisen@rb8.swrcb.ca.gov). This draft, comments received (only electronically submitted comments), and any revisions to this draft will all be available on our website ([www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb8](http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb8)) by April 15, 2002.

We would like to thank all those who helped us draft these waste discharge requirements by providing comments and by participating in the workshops and meetings held to discuss these requirements. We appreciate the efforts of the Steering Committee, chaired by the Orange County Sanitation District (OCSA), to facilitate the development of these requirements and to help the permittees in implementing these requirements. The Steering Committee has developed a scope of work for evaluating alternative grease control methods that can be used by all permittees in the preparation of the grease control program required in the proposed Order. We encourage continuation of these collective efforts to minimize the financial burden on the individual permittees and to optimize technical participation. The study proposed by the Steering Committee will not dictate what each system's grease control program should include,

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but rather, provides a tool box of alternatives for each system to choose from in the preparation of their grease control plan. This effort by the Steering Committee provides a good example of how we believe the group can assist the permittees in implementing the requirements in the proposed Order once it is adopted by the Board. .

If you have any questions, please call me at (909) 782-3238 or Ken Theisen at (909) 320-2028.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures: Mailing List, Staff Report, Tentative Order, and Monitoring and Reporting Program, No. R8-2002-0014

